

# IOWA VERTICAL INFRASTRUCTURE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

**April 9, 2009  
Meeting Minutes**

The Governor's Vertical Infrastructure Advisory Committee at Woodward Resource Center, Woodward IA.

## **Call to Order, Introductions and Roll Call**

Those who were in attendance at the site or by conference call are the following:

Gary Benshoof, Vertical Infrastructure Committee Member  
Les Holland, Vertical Infrastructure Committee Member  
Mary Krier, Vertical Infrastructure Committee Member  
Eve Palmer, Vertical Infrastructure Committee Member  
Terry Slinde, Vertical Infrastructure Committee Member  
Dennis Bennett, Vertical Infrastructure Committee Member

Dean Ibsen, Dept. of Administrative Services, General Services Enterprise  
Nick Smith, Dept. of Administrative Services, General Services Enterprise  
Christine Suckow, Dept. of Administrative Services, General Services Enterprise  
John Dostart, Dept. of Human Services  
Lee Vannoy, Dept. of Natural Resources  
Mickel Edwards, Dept. of Corrections  
Michael Schmidt, Dept. of Administrative Services, General Services Enterprise  
Mark Probst, Dept. of Public Safety, Iowa State Patrol  
Kathy Shannon, Iowa Veterans Home  
Marsha Edgington-Bott, Dept. of Human Services, Woodward Resource Center  
Jon Wilson, Dept. of Human Services, Woodward Resource Center

Those who were absent from the meeting:

Dan Prymek, Vertical Infrastructure Committee Member

## **Introductions and Welcome**

Les Holland called the meeting to order at 10 a.m., asking Nick Smith to call the roll. All committee members were present except for Dan Prymek. Marsha Edgington-Bott said that Dr. Finch was sick and that the tour will be run by Jon Wilson, the new plant operations manager. She said that there are about 217 clients and that the average age of the clients is 42 years old. There are also 39 people on the waiting list. Some residents go off campus to work and others stay on campus and work in areas such as the bottle and can redemption center. There is also some manufacturing of clamps for stackable washer and dryer units.

## **Questions and Comments from Committee Members**

There were none.

## **Approval of Minutes for Previous Meeting**

Gary Benshoof moved for approval of the April meeting minutes, Eve Palmer seconded. Motion carried. These minutes will include John Dostart's changes.

## **Old Business**

Dean Ibsen reviewed agenda items that have been carried forward from previous meetings. He said that we will talk about budget offers vs. appropriations later in the meeting. He also talked about the Plan of Action for 2009 and said that the file included in their handouts is for the committee members to keep as reference.

## **Ongoing Issues/Staff Reports**

### Alternative Delivery Systems

There was no update.

### Routine and Major Maintenance, ADA

Major Maintenance - Christine Suckow said that there are 4 new projects completed this month. She said that off-complex a lot of projects have been progressing. DAS is also working on getting projects that are currently on hold rolling again.

Dean Ibsen pointed out some Woodward projects that were still on-going. Michael Schmidt DAS project manager at Woodward talked about the Wastewater Treatment project. He also said that the powerhouse project is underway.

Les Holland asked if Dean was concerned about meeting the deadline on any of these projects. Dean said he was not.

Routine Maintenance – Dean Ibsen said that DAS will now be managing Routine Maintenance for Vocational Rehabilitation on the Capitol Complex going forward.

## **Budget Offers vs. Appropriations (Historical Review)**

Dean Ibsen gave a brief overview of the document he handed out comparing budget offers vs. appropriations from FY2001 to the present. He started off by comparing the dollar amount Corrections had received and the one that DAS had received. Dean also said that Human Services had put their requests in differently than Corrections. Dean said we need to need to keep in mind some of these capital requests may not be for buildings which makes it more difficult to compare.

## **Other Initiatives**

Nothing to report.

## **Staffing, Database, Training**

All on hold.

## **Consent Calendar**

Christine Suckow reviewed the four items on the consent calendar:

Item 1: DOC Multiple Projects; Summary – Mickel Edwards, DOC, has requested to move funds between multiple DOC projects. Total amount \$1,747.00.

Item 2: DHS Cherokee CCUSO; Summary – Resolution of non-compliant security screens at CCUSO is drawing near. Paul Carlson and John Dostart feel comfortable returning half of the borrowed major maintenance funds at this time. Total amount \$250,000.00

Item 3: DOC Oakdale IMMC Site Lighting; Summary – Duane Langley, Project Manager, has requested to move funds from the Oakdale Life Safety project to the Site Lighting project. Mickel Edwards, DOC has approved this transfer. Total amount \$0.00

Item 4 – IWD Repayment; Summary – Iowa Workforce Development has finished repaying this project's loan of major maintenance money. Total amount (\$35,000.00)

Terry Slinde moved to vote on the consent calendar as a block. Dennis Bennett seconded. Motion passed.

### **Legislative Update**

Dean Ibsen explained that process for major maintenance requests for 2009 and said that agencies need to tell DAS what new projects are. He said agencies should submit all projects regardless of the funding situation so we have a comprehensive list of the needs.

Mark Johnson said that we are in waiting mode right now to see what funding will be for 2010. The bonding bill has passed the Senate and is now in the house. Now Governor's bonding proposal is out there as well. He mentioned that the constitutional amendment on same sex marriage is the hot topic today.

Dean Ibsen asked Mark Johnson about the 750 million I-Jobs bill. Mark said that the Governor has an idea where the money will go.

Dean Ibsen asked about the design build legislation and asked if it included construction management. Mark Johnson said that this bill has been passed back. The safe room's requirement bill passed and went to the Governor.

The transportation and infrastructure bill has passed both chambers.

Federal Stimulus Package is being headed by Teresa McMahon from the Department of Management. She is meeting with agencies. DOM and agencies are still trying to figure out this package and what they could possibly get out of it.

So far Iowa is getting about 2 billion dollars from Federal Stimulus money.

Les Holland asked what a safe room is. Dean Ibsen asked Michael Schmidt to address this since he worked on one at the patrol post. Michael explained that FEMA has said that every new public building should have a FEMA deemed safe room. He described what they looked like and mentioned that they can be very expensive.

### **Questions and Comments from Agency Representatives, Committee Members, Public**

Dean Ibsen said we are anticipating some of the federal money coming in and the process for identifying this money is starting. He said that the state is looking at a wind turbine for the Capitol Complex.

Lee Vannoy said that the Office of Energy Independence is submitting a plan by the end of the month which will discuss when this money will be released.

Les Holland asked if the committee had talked about his idea about DAS writing a letter to legislative leadership and the Governor's Office. Dean Ibsen said that he would keep that on the agenda.

Dean Ibsen said that Ray Walton had been confirmed as Director of DAS.

### **Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be on May 14<sup>th</sup> and will be at the Capitol View Conference room at 1000 E. Grand in the Iowa Workforce Development building.

The June meeting could be in Mitchellville and the July meeting could be at Terrace Hill. September will be at the Mason City Patrol Post.

### **Adjourn**

Eve Palmer made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Mary Krier seconded.

Motion passed. Meeting adjourned.

Prepared by Nick Smith, 5/07/2009